

April 9, 2017

May D. Nichols, Chair California Air Resources Board 1011 I St, Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Letter of Support for designating Sacramento as the first Green City

Dear Chair Nichols:

I am writing on behalf of 350 Sacramento to express our enthusiastic support for Volkswagen's ZEV Investment Plan designation of Sacramento as the first Green City.

350 Sacramento is a local grassroots organization working to lower carbon emissions and find solutions to the climate crisis. We focus on accelerating the transition to a low-carbon future. We have several teams engaged in various aspects of this issue, including efforts to expand and improve local transit, make the Sacramento region a model of sustainability, pass strong climate legislation, keep fossil fuels in the ground, and create a green and just economy. We are holding a community forum in May entitled "Leading the Way to Carbon Zero."

Sacramento, as the capital of California, is the ideal city for the Green City designation and investment. We are culturally and ethnically diverse, with a great deal of creative energy, and leadership that is willing and able to implement innovative solutions. Sacramento is primed to be a model for the rest of the state and beyond.

This opportunity for Sacramento fits in perfectly with 350 Sacramento's goals and vision. We are excited about the many great benefits of being a Green City, including

- Reduction in greenhouse gas emissions
- Acceleration of the transition to electric vehicles and away from the use of fossil fuels
- Investment in the green economy, which will create jobs here in Sacramento
- Recognition of climate justice in ensuring that EVs and other transportation alternatives are available to those in disadvantaged communities.

Sacramento is ready to take the lead. We urge you to choose us as the first Green City.

Sincerely,

Laurie Litman

President, 350 Sacramento